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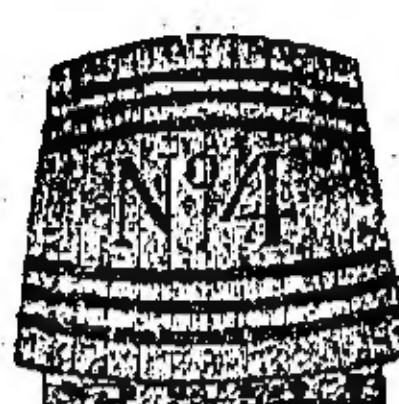
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## Turf Topics.

A few keen turfites turned up yesterday morning to watch the gallops of Messrs Toag and Speelman's ponies. The weather was dull but dry and the air cold. The course was good but not so fast as on the previous morning.

This morning was very damp and much colder, and the course heavy, there having been some rain during the night. Early starts were greeted by a nasty cold drizzle, which went off later, while the atmosphere seemed to get still colder.

Both courses were used this morning, those gallops done on the inside are indicated by an (i).

The following were the times taken:—

OLD FORTS.

York Rose, one mile, (i), 35½, 1.09, 1.43.

Spring Rose, one mile and a quarter, 38½, 1.10½, 1.45½, 2.21, 2.54½.

Glorious Rose, one mile and a quarter, 35½, 1.09½, 1.43½, 2.17½, 2.52.

Coaler and Maryland, one mile and a quarter, 38½, 1.16½, 1.58½, 2.30, 3.05½.

Poseidon, three quarters, 32½, 1.05, 1.39.

Stirrup Cup and Suttie, one mile and three quarters, 37½, 1.10½, 1.48½, 2.25½.

3.6, 3.38½, 4.06. The former last winning.

Palto, one mile, 34½, 1.09, 1.42, 2.13½.

Double Zero, one mile, 35½, 1.10½, 1.44½, 2.18.

DERBY GRIFF.

Reve d'Or Rose and Snowflake Rose, one mile and a quarter, (i), 36½, 1.10½, 1.44½, 2.18½, 2.52½. The black finished about three lengths to the good.

Little Gem Rose, one mile, 35½, 1.10½, 1.43½, 2.16.

Waziri Chief, one mile and a quarter, (i), 41, 1.19, 1.59, 2.38, 3.13.

Achilles and Apollo, three quarters, 37½, 1.13, 1.45½.

Missouri and Volga, one mile and a half, 35, 1.09, 1.43½, 2.15½, 2.61½, 3.24. Volga about half a second slower.

Desire, three quarters, 36, 1.09½, 1.42½.

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Little Dot Rose, one mile, last three quarters, (i), 35½, 1.11½, 1.46.

Killarney Rose, one mile, 36½, 1.14½, 1.50½, 2.25½.

Jack Straw, half mile, 37, 1.10.

Druckengaul, three-quarters, 45, 1.20, 1.54.

Regret, three-quarters, 33½, 1.08½, 1.43½.

Grey Back, three-quarters, last half, (i), 33, 1.08.

Hippomedon and Hercules, three-quarters, 33½, 1.08½, 1.43½.

Gambler, one mile, 34½, 1.08½, 1.42½, 2.15½.

Gunduck, three-quarters, 35, 1.09½, 1.41½.

CHINA.

## THE LATE MR. W. DANBY.

A handsome brass tablet has been placed in the South Transept of St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, in memory of the late Mr. Danby. Unfortunately the marble by which it should be surrounded was broken on the voyage out from England and the brass tablet has been temporarily placed on a background of wood. The tablet bears the following inscription:—  
"To the Glory of God and in memory of William Danby, M.I.C.E., a resident in the Colony for 35 years, and for many years Honorary Architect of this Cathedral Church. Born May 5th, 1842. Fell asleep February 12th, 1908. He gave; He takes them when He thinks it best for them to come to Him and find their rest." Erected by his friends."

Mrs. Danby has written to Mrs. Stedman to say that she had seen and admired the tablet before it left London and that she and all the members of Mr. Danby's family greatly appreciated the kindly feeling which prompted his friends to erect the memorial in the Cathedral with which Mr. Danby was so long connected as Honorary Architect.

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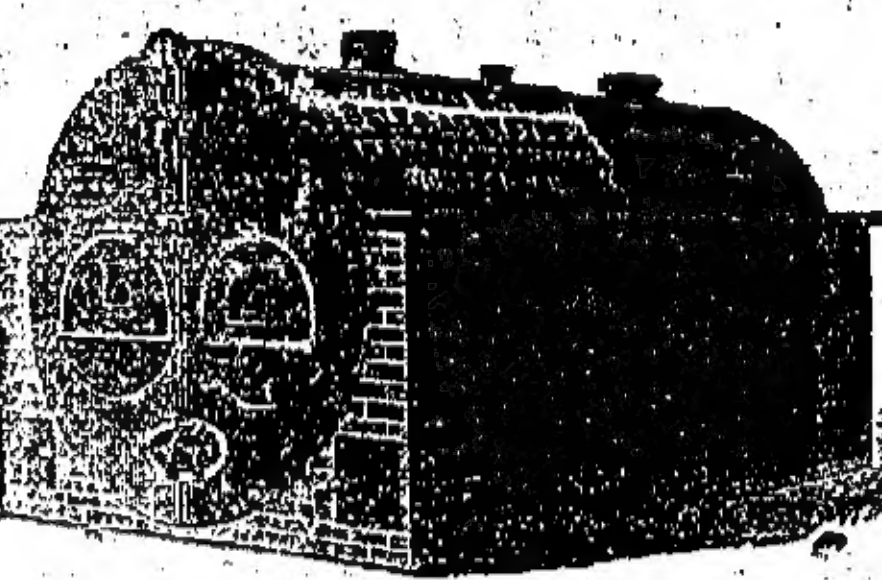
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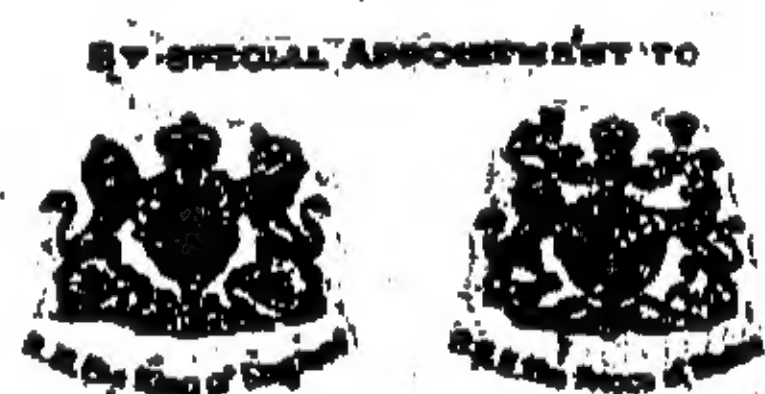
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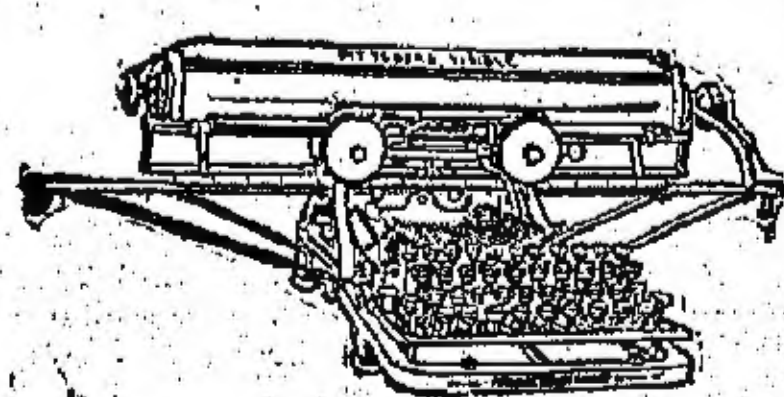


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## THE PROPOSED OPIUM RESTRICTIONS IN THE TWO KWANG.

HONGKONG, December 9, 1908.  
Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, Chairman,  
Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.  
Sir, We have the honour to bring to  
your attention:

(a) Copy of a letter dated the 9th instant  
addressed by us to the Colonial Secretary.  
(b) Copy of a letter dated 23rd September  
last addressed by us to the Acting Consul  
General at Canton, and referred to in (a).  
These letters fully set forth the views of  
the Merchants engaged in the Opium Trade  
upon the attitude of the Chinese Authorities  
in seeking to impose restrictions on the  
sale of Raw Opium, which we contend are  
contrary to the rights conferred by Treaty  
enabling Raw Opium and all merchandise  
in any quantity whether large or small, to  
be freely sold to anyone wishing to purchase  
same, without let or hindrance.

We need scarcely add that in con-  
sequence of the endeavours of the Chinese  
to enforce the Regulations which are  
objected to, an element of uncertainty,  
with a resulting want of confidence, has  
been introduced in the Opium Trade, which  
is having a serious effect on the business.

We therefore beg that you will lay this  
important matter before your Committee  
at an early date with a view to the taking  
such further steps, as they may deem  
advisable to protect the particular and  
weighty interest involved.—We have, &c.,  
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HONGKONG, December, 9.  
The Hon. F. H. MAY, C.M.G.,  
Colonial Secretary.

SIR,—We have the honour to acknow-  
ledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st  
ultimo, in which you are directed to inform  
us that His Excellency the Governor has  
received a despatch from His Majesty's  
Minister at Peking to the effect that he  
regards it as doubtful that the regulations,  
as they stand at present, can be regarded  
as establishing a monopoly; that they  
appear to do little more than reproduce  
the rules passed for the enforcement of the  
Opium Edict of September 20th, 1906, and  
that he has accordingly instructed His  
Majesty's Consul General at Canton that,  
while the working of the system would  
doubtless require to be carefully watched,  
it is inadvisable to take further action  
pending reference to His Majesty's Govern-  
ment.

We have in our letter to Mr. Harry H.  
Fox, H.B.M.'s Consul General at Canton,  
of the 23rd September last (copy of which  
was forwarded to you in our letter of the  
25th September and copy of which is here-  
unto annexed) so fully dealt with the  
pernicious effect that these Regulations  
will have, if brought into force, upon the  
Raw Opium Trade, that no useful object  
would be gained by recapitulating them  
save to again contend that it must be  
obvious that if analysed in detail to a  
logical conclusion, the Regulations sought  
to be enforced in the Two Kwangs, and  
in particular the Regulations that "after  
the ascertainment and registration of the  
number of opium shops in the Province  
of the Two Kwangs now in existence no  
new opium shops doing business in the  
buying and selling of raw and prepared  
opium will be allowed to be established,"  
and tend to the idea that the primary  
intention is the creation of a monopoly  
amongst a certain number of existing opium  
shops, which shops will, as time goes on,  
decrease in number by either:—

(a) Retirement from business.  
(b) Seizure and closure by the Authorities  
of the shops for infringement or alleged  
infringement of the law.  
(c) The Purchase by Capitalists of the  
shops and of the licences.  
In the course of time, therefore, the sale  
of raw opium will be in the hands of a few,  
thus creating a monopoly.  
We cannot agree, therefore, with the  
dictum of His Majesty's minister at Peking  
that he is doubtful that the Regulations,  
as they stand at present, can be regarded  
as establishing a monopoly. We contend  
that the Regulations, if carried into  
stringent effect, will form the nucleus of a  
monopoly expressly contrary to the Treaty  
of Nanking.

We contend that the same must be said  
of Article 5 of the eleven articles for carry-  
ing out the Prohibition of Opium if it is  
brought into force in China. It reads as  
follows:—

"To closely inspect opium shops in  
order to facilitate preventive measures."  
And which Article is further explained  
as follows:—

"All shops in any City, town or village  
which sell the raw drug or prepared opium  
must be severely inspected by the local  
Authorities who will draw up a list of them  
in the form of a register and issue to each  
a licence which will constitute their permit  
to carry on the trade. Once the inspection  
has been made no addition to the opium  
shops will be allowed."

It further says:—  
"Shops which from time to time drop  
out of the business must surrender their  
licences for cancellation." "The licence must  
not be kept under penalty or a heavy fine."

Surely this enactment would create a  
monopoly and contrary to Treaty.  
In course of time the trade will be in the  
hands of a few Chinese merchants.  
We would draw your attention to the  
British Treaty of Nanking 1842 to Article

10 of the same treaty, and to Article 14 of  
the French Treaty of Tientsin of 1853  
which for convenience we quote in full:—  
Article V. of the British Treaty of  
Nanking 1842:—

"The Government of China having com-  
pelled the British Merchants trading at  
Canton to deal exclusively with certain  
Chinese Merchants called Hong Merchants  
(or co-Hong) who had been licensed by the  
Chinese Government for this purpose, the  
Emperor of China agrees to abolish that  
practice in future at all ports where British  
Merchants may reside, and to permit them  
to carry on their mercantile transactions  
with whatever persons they please, and  
His Imperial Majesty further agrees to  
pay to the British Government the sum of  
three millions of dollars, on account of  
debts due to British subjects by some of  
the said Hong Merchants or co-Hong, who  
have become insolvent and who own very  
large sums of money to subjects of Her  
Britannic Majesty."

Article X. of the same Treaty:—  
"His Majesty the Emperor agrees to  
establish at all the ports which are by  
Article II of this Treaty to be thrown  
open for the resort of British Merchants,  
a fair and regular tariff of export and  
import customs and other dues, which tariff  
shall be publicly notified and promulgated  
for general information, and the Emperor  
thenceforth engages that when British merchan-  
dise shall have once paid any of the said ports,  
the regulated customs and dues agreeable to  
the tariff to be hereafter fixed, such  
merchandise may be conveyed by Chinese  
Merchants to any province or city in the  
interior of the Empire of China on paying  
a further amount as transit duties, which  
shall not exceed per cent on the tariff value  
of such goods."

Article XIV of the French Treaty of  
Tientsin, 1858:—  
"Aucune société de commerce privilégiée  
ne pourra désormais s'établir en Chine, et  
il en sera de même de toute coalition or-  
ganisée dans le but d'exercer une monopole  
sur le commerce. En cas de contraven-  
tion en présent article les autorités chino-  
ises sur les représentations du consul ou  
de l'agent consulaire, avertiront aux  
moyens de dissoudre de semblables as-  
sociations dont elles s'efforceront d'ailleurs  
de prévenir l'existence par des prohibitions  
prévisibles, afin d'empêcher tout ce qui  
pourrait porter atteinte à la libre concurren-  
ce."

We would wish to lay special stress upon  
the fact that by the Regulations now  
sought to be enforced by China, the right  
allowed by Treaty to all Merchants whether  
British or otherwise, to sell their opium to  
anyone, is taken away, and that the  
"Société de Commerce privilégiée" as  
quoted above, has been practically brought  
into existence again: thus reviving an abuse  
which led to misunderstandings between  
the European Powers and China and again  
the Treaties of that period were  
specially intended to safeguard Free Trade  
in the future.

We submit that if Article 5 of the Edict  
is carried out, in course of time, the number  
of dealers in raw opium will dwindle to a  
very small number, healthy competition  
will cease, and the British Merchant will  
be at the mercy of the few native shop-  
keepers in the trade.

Inasmuch as the Indian Opium Trade  
has already been regulated by the Govern-  
ment of India and will under the conditions  
agreed upon by Great Britain and China,  
entirely cease in the course of ten years,  
there is absolutely no reason whatever for  
the Chinese Government to interfere in  
any way with this trade by issuing vexatious  
notifications to the public, as has been done  
lately by the Viceroy of the Two Kwangs.  
Therefore, any interference on the part of  
the Chinese Government with the Indian  
Opium Trade cannot possibly be with any  
legitimate object. Provincial Authorities  
all over the Empire are quite capable of  
using the Imperial Edict as a pretence for  
the purpose of raising revenue, or with the  
ulterior object of taking advantage of the  
situation in order to be able to squeeze the  
populace. We have only in this regard to  
refer to the recent action of the Viceroy of  
Nanking in order to show how far this can  
be carried into effect by unscrupulous  
authorities.

The Merchants in China have a very  
strong claim on the British Government to  
protect their trade against this interference  
by the Chinese, not only the ordinary  
protection due to legitimate British trade,  
but from the fact that the merchants buy  
direct from the Government of India at  
the Government's monthly sales in Calcutta,  
and it is the duty of the British  
Government to see that the Merchants get  
a fair and unobstructed outlet for the opium  
purchased from them.

It is incumbent on the British Govern-  
ment, before they allow the opium trade to  
depart, entirely from India and from  
British merchants dealing with the Indian  
Government, to see that China is really  
doing her share to eradicate the so-called  
evil.

The report of Mr. Leach clearly shows  
that the British Government is keeping  
well ahead of the Chinese Government in  
the steps taken to stamp out the opium  
habit, although British trade is only 1/10th  
of the whole of the Opium  
consumed in China.

The production in China of native  
opium being 8 to 10 times as large as the  
total import of the foreign drug, the  
cultivation of China opium is the thing to  
watch, not so much the foreign trade, and  
the only way to stop opium smoking in  
China is by getting the provincial  
authorities to curtail the production of the  
native drug, otherwise, while our trade  
with Chinese opium is still partial,  
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14,000 yards, commencing at 10.30  
A.M., and finishing at 1 P.M.  
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direction, at ranges up to 7,000 yards,  
commencing at 3 P.M., and finishing  
at 10 P.M.

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**MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.**  
Miscellaneous  
10 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

Meeting.  
Noon.—Meeting of Kowloon Land and  
Building Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

Auctions.  
11 a.m.—Auction of Condemned, Obs-  
cure and Confiscated Stores, etc., at  
Central Police Station.  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture, etc., at Mr Geo. P. Lamont's  
Sales Rooms.

Amusements.  
9 p.m.—Harmston's Grand Circus at  
Causeway Bay.

General Memoranda.  
Register of Shares of the Hongkong and  
Shanghai Banking Corporation closed  
from this date to 20th inst. inclusive.

WEDNESDAY, February 10—  
Goods for *Britannia* not cleared at 4 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, February 11—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture, etc., at 77, Wyndham Street.  
Goods for *Jauba Mera* not cleared on  
this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, February 12—  
9.15 p.m.—Choir Concert at City Hall.  
Goods for *Centauria* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.  
Goods for *Siberia* undelivered at Noon  
on this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, February 13—  
8 p.m.—Devonian Dinner at Hongkong  
Hotel.  
Goods for *Nippon Mera* undelivered at  
noon on this date subject to rent.

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9 p.m.—Performance by Hongkong  
Amateur Dramatic Club in City Hall.

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**The China Mail**

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1909.

TWO VOICES.

It is but natural that the keenest critics  
of the English should be the German  
nation. We are so closely related in blood  
that in a very peculiar sense we belong  
to the same family group, and as in  
private life in Great Britain if one  
wishes to obtain a candid opinion con-  
cerning anyone's character, habits and  
disposition it is best to seek for the  
information from someone in the im-  
mediate family circle, so the rule holds  
good as between Britons and Germans.  
At times this mutual criticism has been  
spelt by too great a spirit of acrimonious  
fault-finding or availing acerbity and  
the resulting display of bad temper on  
either side of the North Sea has been  
anything but edifying. This cannot be  
said, however, of two criticisms recently  
penned by Germans of high rank deal-  
ing respectively with the Navy and the  
Indian Army and Civil Service. Noth-  
ing could be couched in better taste than  
the article from the pen of the dis-  
tinguished naval officer, while it we  
feel somewhat shy of accepting all the

nice things said about our conduct in  
India, it is nevertheless gratifying in  
the extreme that they come from a  
German source.

The first voice to be dealt with is the  
article which Vice-Admiral ERGAR von  
AMHELD contributed to the January  
number of the *Deutsche Revue*. Vice-  
Admiral AMHELD, whose judgment  
on naval matters is entitled to the  
highest respect, declares: "War  
between Great Britain and Germany  
under the present political conditions  
would be disastrous, but not on account  
of the quantitative superiority of the  
British Fleet over the German fleet."  
He then proceeds to argue that, although  
the numerical superiority of the British  
Navy over the German naval forces is  
formidable on paper, the real superiority  
is not so great as to render a naval war  
a hopeless undertaking for Germany.  
"An Anglo-German war," proceeds  
AMHELD, "would be as revolting and  
foolish an event, judged from an  
international political point of view, as  
could be imagined; nevertheless, there  
exists in Germany a lively desire to  
become acquainted with British  
armaments," which means in plain  
language that German naval officers,  
from a purely professional as distin-  
guished from a political point of view,  
would like to reveal their efficiency by  
trying conclusions with a worthy rival.

"The British Navy," continues our  
friendly critic, "was formerly superior  
to ours simply in the number of  
warships, but recently the British  
Admiralty introduced the policy of  
superiority in the size of battleships,  
and this policy proved a fatal mistake.  
Contrary to the expectations of the  
British Admiralty, none of the rival  
naval Powers were alarmed at the in-  
creased expenditure, but, following Great  
Britain's example, built Dreadnoughts  
with all possible speed. The rapid  
construction of Dreadnoughts has thus  
produced serious disadvantages for  
England, especially in the introduction  
of the enlarged type of battleship, which  
has rendered the entire Fleet which  
England hitherto possessed more or  
less obsolete, and enabled the rival  
naval Powers to begin the race for  
naval supremacy on equal terms. Great  
Britain's quantitative superiority to the  
other naval Powers is thus less formi-  
dable than was formerly the case."

Regarding the training of crews, the  
Vice-Admiral points out that the long-  
service system prevalent in Great  
Britain offers advantages over the three  
years' period served by German blue-  
jackets who are conscripts, while, on  
the other hand, the recruiting system  
involves the danger of a shortage in  
hands, which is already evident in the  
case of stokers. The chronic lack of  
recruits who are willing to enter the  
Navy as stokers is a weak point in  
British naval organisation.

Vice-Admiral von AMHELD considers  
that the devotion of British officers and  
crews alike to sport decreases their  
naval efficiency, because it deprives  
them of the time which would otherwise  
be devoted to technical naval training.

The sporting tendencies prevalent in  
the British Navy also influence the  
whole system of drill, especially gun  
practice, which becomes a sporting  
event rather than purely a matter of  
efficiency in handling artillery. The  
public interest taken in the results  
achieved in gun practice in different  
ships causes the commanding officers  
to keep their best men to the fore in  
practice in order that their ship may  
figure well in the public eye. The  
result is that a few gunners attain an  
extremely high degree of efficiency,  
while the gunnery training of a large  
number of the crew is seriously  
neglected.

The writer of the criticism on the  
British rulers of India is Count HANS  
VON KONTSMARK, a Major on the Ger-  
man General Staff. He recently made  
a lengthy tour through India and re-  
turns from the East an enthusiastic  
admirer of British methods in ruling  
this great Asiatic Empire. Great  
Britain, he declares, rules "not by fire  
and sword, but by brute force, but solely  
by just and tolerant treatment of the

native races by a benevolent policy." He  
observes that the native Indian soldiers  
venerate their British officers with a  
devotion bordering on fanaticism, a  
proof, he says, that the British under-  
stand how to associate with the Indian  
population. The writer pays a warm  
tribute to the British officers engaged  
along the North-Western frontier, many  
of whom he found combined qualities  
of soldiers, diplomats, scholars, and  
born rulers of men in one person.  
Discussing British policy towards the  
lawless tribes of the North-West frontier,  
Count KONTSMARK records his impres-  
sion that the British rulers of the  
country have discovered how to treat  
these unruly bandits by putting them  
on their honour, thus enlisting them in  
the service of civilisation. "Great  
nations are always modest. The Eng-  
lishman never boasts," says this eminent  
military expert, who also passes an ex-  
tremely favourable verdict on the Indian  
native troops. "They consist, physically  
and morally, of the best human material  
from which soldiers can be produced.  
Although the Sikhs, Gurkhas, Pathans,  
and Rajputs, are, perhaps, slightly  
inferior to the troops of Continental  
armies in tactical training, nevertheless  
their other military performances  
justify the fullest confidence being felt  
in their military efficiency. They would  
be able to take the field against European  
armies."

Count KONTSMARK bestows unstinted  
praise on British administration in  
India, declaring that British officials  
are characterised by iron self-control  
and absolute integrity. Their im-  
partial justice and unselfish moral  
sentiment are exemplary. "The  
British official, who is practically just and  
free-and-easy in his association with the  
natives and is generally beloved,  
understands how to obtain the confidence  
of the conquered races, and how to  
gain their support for the beneficent  
policy of enlightened government. He  
is no bureaucrat enveloped in red tape.  
His colonising genius consists in his  
power of insight, in his capacity of adapt-  
ing himself to local conditions, and in  
his tolerance. The atmosphere of free-  
dom and independence which is charac-  
teristic of the Mother-country is also  
found in India. "John Bull" is master  
of India, but he seldom commands, and  
still more seldom prohibits. Great  
Britain's moral influence has created the  
India of to-day and it holds the Indian  
Empire together. England waters the  
Indian deserts, assists the inhabitants  
in leading a peaceful existence, bestows  
the blessings of civilisation on the  
natives, and honours public services  
without distinction of race or colour."  
Such is the opinion held by the man  
who dedicates his book to Lady Broom,  
the wife of Lieut-General Sir BROM-  
BROOM, "In sincere admiration and  
reverence for the Englishwoman in  
India to whom England owes not the  
least of her position and power in that  
country."

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The English Mail of the 9th January  
was delivered in London on the 6th inst.

Our readers' attention is drawn to the  
advertisements of the Hongkong Jockey  
Club to be found on the back page.

The time table of the Hongkong  
College of Medicine for the spring session  
commencing 1st March, was issued this  
morning.

A certain Mr Ho Chen-huan has arrived  
in Shanghai and is trying by means of the  
vernacular press to stir up the Cantonese  
residents in Shanghai to reopen the Patahan  
case.

It develops that Mr Douglas Robinson,  
brother-in-law of President Roosevelt, is  
the mysterious complainant in the libel  
proceedings against the New York World  
and Indianapolis News.

A well known resident of Hongkong  
has just received a letter from London in  
19 days, via Siberia. It was posted at  
Maida Vale, London, at 5.30 p.m. on  
January 18th, and was delivered in Hong-  
kong at 9 a.m. on February 7th, a few  
hours over 19 days.

A general order has been issued in the  
American Navy that the bigger battleships  
shall discard their former garb of white  
and adopt one of a dull grey colour. In  
doing this the American Navy has come  
into line with most of the great European  
Fleets, who have long realised the great  
advantage accruing from the use of a neutral  
tint in painting their warships.

**CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.**  
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EVERY mother should know that Cham-  
berlain's Cough Remedy is perfectly  
safe for children to take, and is a most  
valuable remedy for all ailments  
and colds.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The United States have resolved to  
spend \$500,000 on military airships.

The Portuguese gunboat *Patrizia* arrived  
to-day from Macao and went into dock for  
repairs.

There were 421 European and 175  
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,  
and 100 European and 5,980 Chinese visi-  
tors to the Museum during the week  
ended February 7th.

The revenue officers at Singapore  
having found twenty-two tins of Amoy  
Chandu on the *Wee Bin Company's*  
steamer *Hong Bao*, on December 15, the  
master, Capt. Home, was fined \$500 by the  
Fourth Magistrate on January 30.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Dr G. P. Jordan reported on Sunday  
that Her Excellency Lady Lugard's con-  
dition has made considerable progress since  
the last report.

General Jose Miguel Gomez, President,  
and Dr Alfredo Zayas, Vice-President, of  
the Republic of Cuba are already quarrelling  
over the spoils of office.

Brigadier-Generals Mills, Peshing and  
Hodges have been retired from service in  
the Philippines and their successors will  
be Brigadier-Generals Carter, Brush and  
Potts.

Mr J. W. Jamieson, of H. M. Consular  
Service, formerly Commercial Attaché and  
for the past three years Foreign Superin-  
tendent of Chinese Labour in the Transvaal,  
will, it is expected, shortly be appointed  
H. M. Consul-General at Canton.

The death is reported at Tientsin of Mr  
C. Lennox Simpson, of the Imperial Mariti-  
me Customs. Mr Simpson came out to  
join the I. M. C. in the early sixties, and  
has been a Commissioner for upwards of  
thirty years. Until recently he was  
stationed at Ningpo.

The death is announced of Viscount  
Fujimaro Tanaka, a Privy Councillor who  
was twice a Minister of State and held the  
posts of Minister of Home and Paris.  
Viscount Tanaka was born at Nagoya in  
1845 and was the most distinguished  
Imperialist in the Owari Clan. He was  
mainly instrumental in inducing his liege  
lord, subsequently Marquis Tokugawa,  
to renounce the cause of the Tokugawa  
Shogunate. After the Restoration he was  
appointed to a high post in the Educa-  
tional Department. He became Minister  
of Justice in 1890, was appointed Envoy  
Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary  
to Rome in 1894, to Paris in 1897, assumed  
the Chair of Justice in 1891, and after his  
resignation was made a Privy Councillor.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

Well filled houses both at the afternoon  
and evening performances on Saturday  
testified to the continued popularity of the  
circus and the excellent programme placed  
before the public was from time to time  
deservedly applauded. The most sensa-  
tional items of course were looping the loop  
and the daring performance with the wild  
animals. It is one of the best shows that  
has been to Hongkong and those who have  
not already paid a visit to it should not  
miss an early opportunity of doing so.  
The management intend to conclude on  
Saturday, the 13th inst. Local equestrians  
are up for to-morrow evening and it is  
anticipated there will be some fun over the  
contest.

Matinees will be held on Wednesday  
afternoon and Saturday.

A GIFT TO THE CATHEDRAL.

A solid silver Alms Dish has been pre-  
sented to St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong,  
in memory of the late Bishop Burdon by  
his only surviving children, Major John  
Alder Burdon, C.M.G., of Northern  
Nigeria, and Edward Russell Burdon,  
M.A., of Cambridge. The Alms Dish was  
designed and made by Mr F. Alexander,  
Walswick, Southwold, Suffolk, and the  
central design is copied from Bishop Bur-  
don's seal. Round the rim of the Alms  
Dish is the following inscription:—"In  
memory of John Shaw Burdon, Bishop of  
Victoria, Hongkong, 1846-1897."

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Hongkong, November 18, 1908.

**JAPANESE STUDENTS  
IN CALIFORNIA.**

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Ordinance 3 of 1894.)

London, February 6.  
The Governor of California, Mr  
Gillett, in a message to the State  
Legislature, asks that the Schools Bill  
be reconsidered, as the enactment of  
such legislation would be an unfriendly  
act towards Japan.

The Legislature decided to postpone  
action in the matter until the 10th  
inst.

PRACTICAL PATRIOTISM.

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London, February 6.  
A War Office communique states that  
the Directors of the Alliance Assurance  
Company have resolved that all clerks  
entering the Company's service after  
March 1st will be required to join the  
Territorials, the Company allowing the  
necessary leave with full salary.

**KAISER SUMMONS THE  
CHANCELLOR.**

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London, February 7.  
For the first time since the publication  
of the famous interview, H.M. the  
Kaiser has summoned the Chancellor to  
the Palace.

**BRITISH NAVAL EX-  
PENDITURE.**

SHARP DIFFERENCE OF  
OPINION.

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London, February 7.  
The *Daily Chronicle* states that the  
Liberals are increasingly indignant over  
the prospect of the increased expenditure  
on the Navy.

The Conservative newspapers are  
reminding Mr Asquith of his promise to  
maintain the Navy at the two-Power  
standard.

**THE BALKAN DIP-  
FICULTIES.**

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London, February 7.  
The Porte is adopting a stiff attitude  
towards Austria's proposed modifications  
of the suggested agreement between the  
two Powers and has refused to assent  
to them.

The Porte has met the Russian pro-  
posals outlined in the telegram of the  
2nd inst., with a complicated counter  
scheme.

**LAUNCH OF AN AMERI-  
CAN DREADNOUGHT.**

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London, February 8.  
The American Dreadnought, the  
U.S.S. Delaware, has been launched at  
Newport News. Her armament consists  
of ten 12-inch guns.

THOU GOOD TO MRS.—You may be able  
to go along without Stearns' Wine of  
God Live Oil, but what's the use of going  
through life and missing all the good  
things? I will give you new strength. 13







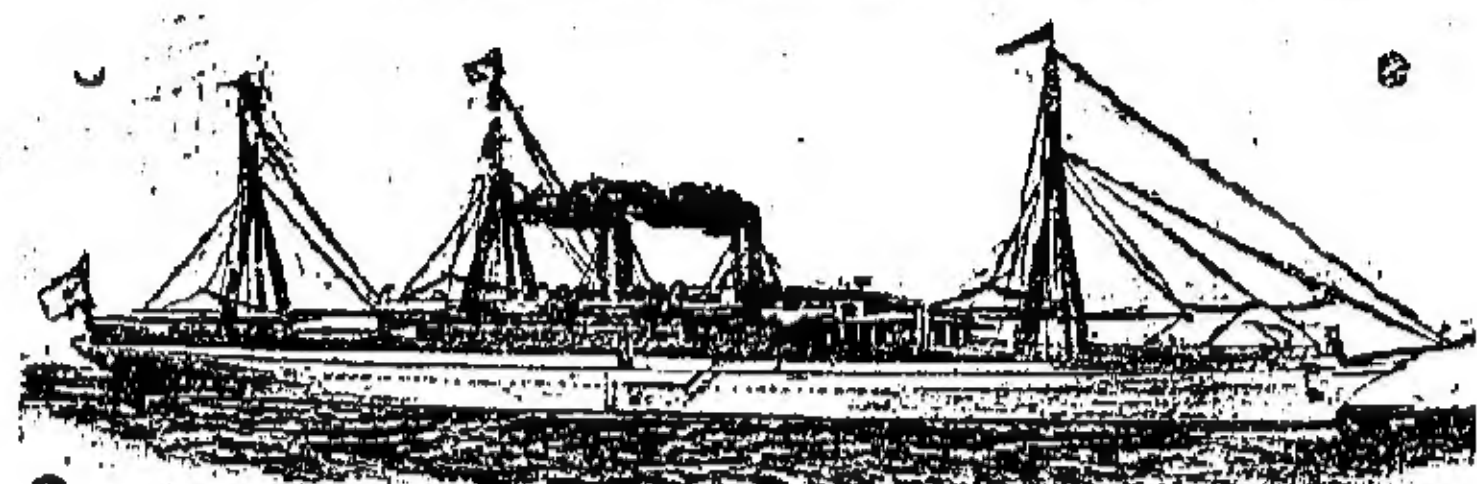
## Shipping.

## PENINSULAR &amp; ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named:-

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON & ANTWERP. VIA SUEZ, PANAMA, COLON, PORT SAID & MARSSEILLES	NYANZA..... Capt. H. S. BRADSHAW	10a.m. 10th February	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	DELTA..... Capt. C. R. LONGDEN, R.N.R.	About 18th Feb., 1909.	Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELTA..... Capt. B. W. H. SNOW	Feb., 1909.	Passage.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS	BRITANNIA..... Capt. S. B. BARNES	Noon, 20th Feb., 1909.	See Special Advertisement.

P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Office.

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MONTEAGLE... 6163 Tons	Tuesday, Mar. 12... Mar. 26.
EMERESS OF INDIA... 6000 Tons	Saturday, Mar. 13... April 2.
EMERESS OF JAPAN... 6000 Tons	Saturday, April 10... April 30.
EMERESS OF CHINA... 6000 Tons	Saturday, May 1... May 22.
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For further information, Maps, Routes, etc., apply to the General Traffic Agent for China, etc., Co. 22 PRINCE STREET and PRATA, Opposite Blake Pier.

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FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL, 1909.
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	TOURANE	LANGLEN	Feb. 15, p.m.
MARSEILLES, Via PORT, POLYNESIESE	NERA	BROD	Feb. 16, at 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	NERA	X.	March 1, p.m.
MARSEILLES, Via PORT	SALAZIE	MAONEN	March 2, at 1 p.m.

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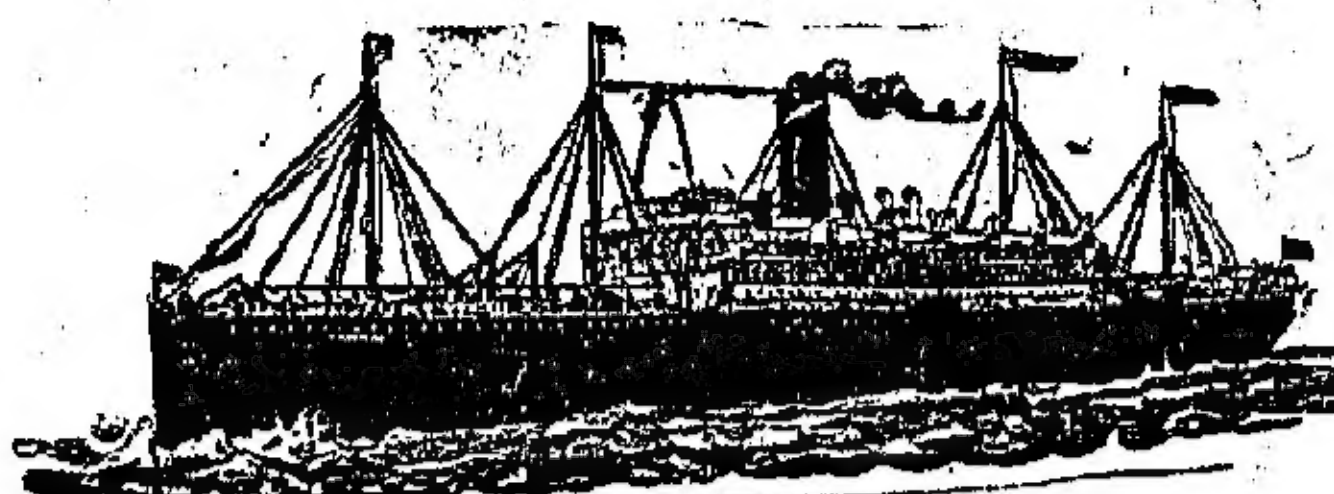
Outward	Homeward
For Shanghai, Yokohama & Kobe	For Havre & Hamburg
S.S. DORTMUND... 11th Feb.	S.S. HAYONIA... 23rd Feb.
S.S. SPECIA... 18th Feb.	
S.S. AMERICA... 28th Feb.	
S.S. LIBERIA... 11th Mar.	
S.S. YANDALLA... 19th Mar.	
S.S. SILBERA... 30th Mar.	

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES.
* NIPPON MARU... 11,000 Tons	TUESDAY, 9th Feb., at 3 p.m.
* SIBERIA... 18,000	TUESDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.
* CHINA... 10,200	TUESDAY, 23rd Feb., at Noon.
* MANCHURIA... 9,500	TUESDAY, 2nd Mar., at Noon.
* OHIO MARU... 21,000	TUESDAY, 9th Mar., at Noon.
* ASIA... 9,500	TUESDAY, 16th Mar., at Noon.
* MONGOLIA... 27,000	SATURDAY, 27th Mar., at Noon.
* TENYO MARU... 21,000	TUESDAY, 6th April, at Noon.
* KOREA... 18,000	TUESDAY, 13th April, at Noon.

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China... 10,200 Tons	TUESDAY, 23rd February, at Noon.
Asia... 9,500 " "	16th March, at Noon.
China... 10,200 " "	11th May, at Noon.
Asia... 9,500 " "	4th June, at Noon.

Hongkong to London via Canadian Atlantic Ports... \$240.

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S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

## SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA, AMOY & SHANGHAI	SHANGHAI	Feb. 9, at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAI, WEIHAWEI & CHEFOO	HANYANG	Feb. 9, at 4 p.m.
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	SINGAN	Feb. 11, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Feb. 11, at 4 p.m.
CEBU & ILOILO	SUNGLANG	Feb. 12, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, PT. DARWIN, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, with transshipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE & PERTH	TAIWAN	Feb. 25, at 4 p.m.

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# **COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA** **PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG** **SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.**

THE CO.'S S.S. FOR LEAVING

* <b>CHOSEUN MARU,</b> Capt. T. SURUGA.	SHANGHAI, Via SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.	<b>THURSDAY, 11th</b> Feb., at 8 a.m.
* <b>JOSEPH MARU,</b> Capt. H. MURAYAMA.	TAMSUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	<b>SUNDAY, 14th</b> Feb., at 9 a.m.
* <b>SHOSU MARU,</b> Capt. JOHNE.	ANPING, Via SWATOW, AMOY AND TAKAO.	<b>WEDNESDAY, 17th</b> Feb., at 8 a.m.
* <b>DAIWIN MARU,</b> Capt. Y. KAWABRAKI.	TAMSUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	<b>SUNDAY, 21st</b> Feb., at 10 a.m.

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BREMEN.

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL, 1909.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERES, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	LUZOW	WEDNESDAY, 10th Feb., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	PRINCESS ALICE	THURSDAY, 11th Feb.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	MANILA	THURSDAY, 25th Feb., at 5 p.m.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Beginning of March

For further Particulars, apply to

Norddeutscher Lloyd, MELOHRS &amp; CO., General Agents, Hongkong &amp; China.

## SHIPBUILDING.

From the returns compiled by Lloyd's Register of Shipping, it appears that, excluding warships, there were 360 vessels of 764,620 tons gross under construction in the United Kingdom at the close of the quarter ended 31st December.

The tonnage now under construction is about 80,000 tons more than that which was in hand at the end of the previous quarter, but about 184,000 tons less than that building twelve months ago.

On the vessels under construction in the United Kingdom at the end of December, 270 or 607,087 tons are under the supervision of the surveyors of Lloyd's Register with a view to classification by the society. In addition, 68 vessels of 166,838 tons are building abroad with a view to classification. The total building at the present time under the supervision of Lloyd's Register is, thus, 338 vessels of 672,875 tons.

The steamship circular of Messrs H. E. Moss and Co., of Liverpool, London and Newcastle-on-Tyne, states:—The year 1908, like its predecessor, has ended most unsatisfactorily for shipbuilders, ship owners, and every one else interested in shipping, with few exceptions. It would be difficult for many to recall to memory any period so unfavourable as that of last year. We are not surprised that with 1,500,000 tons of shipping laid up at home and abroad, and freights all over the world lower than ever known before, that the advent of 1909 is hailed with the hope that the depression in shipping has about passed its worst phase. The American panic of October, 1907, has left its mark all over the world. It destroyed credit, restricted trade in every direction, and coming so unexpectedly on top of an over-supplied market caught most of us unawares.

The time has now arrived when it is impossible to disguise the fact that at least 1,500,000 tons of old and obsolete tonnage must be broken up. It is good for no other purpose; and the sooner those interested face the inevitable and readjust their book values, the sooner freights will improve, for it is impossible that such tonnage can be worked again at a profit. Already shipbuilding has been the most important industry at home and abroad, and is rapidly increasing.

The recent depression in shipping has been beyond contemplation; steamers of not many years old have been sold at about half their original cost, while new boats have been realised at considerable loss to their owners. The market for second-hand tonnage is overstocked, and there are not few buyers. New steamers of 3,000 tons dead weight were sold a few years ago at \$240,000 to \$250,000, to-day are built for \$230,000, and other sizes in proportion. Builders and engineers are very short of work, and in some instances are offering to build new tonnage at below actual cost in order to keep their works going. Prices for new steamers were never lower, and men with the courage of their convictions building at today's figures, must necessarily realise handsome profits in the near future, for such tonnage must perform supplant old and useless vessels. Many regular lines and others are already profiting by present low prices to replace their old steamers.

The Board of Trade returns for 1908, although not yet published, will, we expect, show a reduction in our exports and imports compared with 1907, of about \$210,000,000.

According to Lloyd's returns for the quarter ending September 30th, 1908, the amount of tonnage under construction was 723,378 tons, compared with 1,080,087 tons for the corresponding period of 1907, and 1,264,787 tons for the third quarter of 1906. For the year ending 31st December, we should say the tonnage under construction will be about 800,000 tons, as many of the steamers launched on the 30th September were detained, waiting for their machinery, owing to the recent ill-advised strike. The amount of new tonnage registered in the United Kingdom alone for the first 10 months of 1908 was only 125,400 tons, or 331,000 tons less than in the corresponding period of last year, and 530,000 tons less than in the first 10 months of 1907.

Time, however, works its own cure, and already there are signs of improvement, particularly in the United States of America, from whence, as in past years, any improvement in trade always reflects itself on European particular. The advice from India predict a very large export for this year, in contrast with last. The prospects from Canada, the United States, Argentina and Australia of large shipments of grain, etc., seem much better, and with the development of our East, together with the restricted output of new steamers, we look for a gradual improvement in shipping during 1909.

## MARRIAGE OF MISS TOWNSEND.

At St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, on 5th January, the marriage was solemnised of Miss Newton J. Stubb, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, and Miss Ethel Mary Townsend, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. M. Townsend, of Wellington, New Zealand. The Rev. Canon Walpole, D.D., Rector of Lambeth, officiated at the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. H. Hughes, of St. Paul's, Knightsbridge. There was a large and fashionable congregation. The bride was escorted to the church by her father, who gave her away. She wore a dress of white satin, trimmed with Brussels lace and a long full veil. Miss Edith Greave acted as maid of honour, and there were four bridesmaids—Miss Gertrude Tomes, Miss Blanche Fielden, Miss Kathleen Moxon, and Miss Susan Addie. The best man was Mr H. Hunter, of Shanghai. A reception was afterwards held at the Hyde Park Hotel, which was subsequently attended by a large circle of friends, including many who were unable to be at the church. The presents, which were not exhibited, were very numerous and costly.

## PNEUMONIA.

OLD people and those who have weak lungs cannot be too careful in guarding against this disease. Pneumonia always results from a cold or an attack of influenza, and can be prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have seen a case of pneumonia which was cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was taken. For all colds, coughs and sore throats.

## Shipping.

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	HSANG	TUESDAY, Feb. 9, at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	WOSANG	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10, at Noon.
MANILA	FOOKSANG	THURSDAY, Feb. 11, at Noon.
MANILA	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, Feb. 12, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, Feb. 12, at 4 p.m.
	KUTSANG	TUESDAY, March 2, at Noon.

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THE steamers Kutang, Nanyang and Fookang leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama, returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay of 5 to 6 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe.

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STEAMSHIP	FOR	LEAVING
HAITAN	SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	TUESDAY, 9th Feb., at Noon.

HAICHING	SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	FRIDAY, 12th Feb., at Noon.
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Hongkong, November 17, 1908.

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Mishima Maru (Capt. A. E. MOORE) About Wed., 10th Feb.

Atsuta Maru - (Capt. W. THOMER) About Wed., 7th April.

Miyasaki Maru (Capt. W. HAINBRIDGE) About Wed., 5th May.

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## (THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1909.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	SANUKI MARU, Capt. K. Homma, Tons 6112	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb., at Daylight.
	AWA MARU, Capt. A. Keith, Tons 5399	WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	* IYO MARU, Capt. S. J. G. Parsons, Tons 6200	TUESDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.
	* KAGA MARU, Capt. G. S. Laprak, Tons 6381	TUESDAY, 2nd March, at Noon.

SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, Via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekine, Tons 5817	FRIDAY, 19th Feb., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 5539	FRIDAY, 19th Mar., at Noon.

BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	WAKAMITSU MARU, Capt. T. Yamawaki, Tons 4421	SUNDAY, 7th February.
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SHANGHAI & KOBE	* YEBOSHI MARU, Capt. B. Kou, Tons 3788	MONDAY, 8th February.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	* NIKKO MARU, Capt. R. Swain, Tons 5539	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb., at Noon.
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T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

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CABLE ADDRESSES—MIYASAKI, applying to Head Office and Shimoda Branch.

\* YUTAKA, applying to Hong







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AMONG		MAIN OF AMERICA.
Amoy & Shanghai.....	Shooshing (e)	Switzerland & Swire.....
Amoy.....	Tiapanese (e)	Java-Ohio-Japan Lin
Australian Ports.....	Adobom (e)	Gibb Livingston & Co.
Batavia & New York.....	Choochin (e)	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Coast Ports & Shanghai	Choochin Mera (e)	Waka Shima Kan Co.
Oahu & Iloilo.....	Sungkiang (e)	Batardfield & Swire
Europe.....	Lutzuw (e)	Melchers & Co.

Feb. 9, at 4 p.m.
trial half Feb.
March 4, at Noon.
About Feb. 12.
Feb. 11 at 8 a.m.
Feb. 12, at 4 p.m.
Feb. 12, at 3 p.m.
Feb. 12, at 3 p.m.

Gonos, Mar. T, Dson, & Co	Michikina Mats (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	about Feb. 10
Japan & Portland, Or.	Namurata (s)	Hamburg-Amcke Linie	about Feb. 23
Java	Tilatjag (s)	Java-China-Japan Lijn	Feb. 10, 20, 30
Gonsen, &c.	Bretanne (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 20, at Noon
Manila	Manila (s)	Singapore	Feb. 17, Daylight
Manila	Yuenanag (s)	Fardine, M'ason & Co, Ltd	Feb. 19, at 4 p m
Manila	Looneganag (s)	Jardine, M'ason & Co, Ltd	Feb. 19, at 4 p m
Manila	Looneganag (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 9, at 3 p m
Manila	Tamling (s)	Shaw, M'ason & Co	Feb. 18, at Noon
Manila	Zaire (s)	Shaw, M'ason & Co	Feb. 18, at Noon

Manila	Roots (s)	Shewan, James & Co.	Feb. 20, at Noon.
Mar. London & Warrington	Monomersyshire (s)	Jardine, Nathan & Co. Ltd.	about Feb. 23.
Mar. London & Warrington	Polynesia (s)	Y. & O. S. N. Co. Ltd.	Feb. 10, at 10 a.m.
Manilla, 1st Skgon.	Yavata Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 15, at 1 p.m.
Manilla, 2nd Ports.	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Feb. 18, at noon.
Manilla, 3rd Ports.	Sunaga (s)	Dowdell & Co. Limited	Feb. 19, at 4 p.m.
New York	Nikko Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Feb. 17, at Noon.
N'saki, Kobe & Y. Hams	Singko (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Feb. 21, at 10 a.m.
Pakhoi & Haiphong.			

San Francisco v. Japan	Nippon Maru (a)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Feb. 9, at 3 P.M.
San Francisco v. Japan	Sherida (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Feb. 12, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	China (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Feb. 23, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Manaburu (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Mar. 2, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Shiratsuyu (a)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Mar. 6, at Noon.
Shanghai v. Panama	Touraine (a)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Mar. 10, at Noon.
Shanghai v. Panama	Dortmund (a)	Hamburg-Amerika Linie	Mar. 16, at Noon.
Shanghai v. Panama	Spezia (a)	Hamburg-Amerika Linie	Feb. 18, at Noon.
Shanghai v. Panama	Joachim Maru (a)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Feb. 14, at 3 P.M.

S'wong, Amy & Anping	Shoshu Marr (c)	Oakia Shoen Kalsha	Feb. 17, at 8 a.m.
Shanghal & Kobo	Yoshiaki Marr (c)	Nippon Yuen Kalsha	February 8.
Sh'ah, N'hi, Koba, Y'm	Princess Alice (c)	Melchers & Co.	About Feb. 11.
Shanghal	Chenan (a)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 11, at 4 p.m.
Shanghal	Engang (c)	Jardine, Moon & Co.	Feb. 9 at Noon.
Shanghal	Engang (c)	Jardine, Moon & Co. Ltd	Feb. 10 at Noon
Shanghal	Delia (c)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 19.
Sh'ui, Moji, Koba, Y'm	Palawan (c)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 18.
Sh'ui, Moji, Koba, Y'm	Katsung (c)	Jardine, Moon & Co. Ltd	Mar. 1.

S. tow, Amy & F. Chow	Haitan (C.) .....	Douglas Lamson & Co.	Feb. 8, at Noon.
S. Pore, Pang, Calcutta	Fooksing (C.) .....	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	Feb. 11, at Noon.
S. Pore, Pang, Obo, do.	Sileils (C.) .....	Sander, Wiegler & Co.	Feb. 9, Feb. 22.
S. Pore, Wei & Cheong	Hayang (C.) .....	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 8, at 4 p. m.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Yue Maru (C.) .....	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 16, at Noon.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Gloverie (C.) .....	Dowdell & Co., Ltd.	Feb. 11.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Gloverie (C.) .....	Dowdell & Co., Limited	March 11.
Vancouver (B.C.), &	Empress of China (C.) ..	Canadian Pacific R. Co.	March 18, at 7 a. m.
Vancouver (B.C.), &	Montrose (C.) .....	Canadian	

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Food	Closing quotations.
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AMER.		EUROPE.	
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	120,000	185	\$895
National Bank of China, Limited	99,995	185	\$891 buyers
MARINE INSURANCE.			\$ 50
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	260	\$104 sellers
China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	283	\$871 buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	215	\$871
	10,000	250	\$889

Union Insurance Society, Limited, .....	20,000	£	250	100	\$100
Yanagata Insurance Association Ltd.	12,000	£	100	50	\$177½
FIRE INSURANCE					
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. ....	20,000	£	100	100	\$100
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., .....	8,000	£	250	50	\$330, buyers
Doors, etc					
H. Kung & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. ....	80,000	£	50	all	\$91, buyers
Geo. Fawcett & Co. Limited	18,000	£	25	25	\$12, sellers

New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	0	62	8	\$97, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Eng. Co., Ltd.	66,700	Th.	100	Th	100 Th. 77
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC					
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	26,000	0	25	0	\$12, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited.	90,000	0	50	all	\$34, buyers
H. K. O. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	90,000	0	16	15	\$30
Indo-China S. S. Company, Ltd.	80,000	0	6	all	\$37, sellers

Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$	10	10	\$15
10,000	\$	10	10	\$15	
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$	10	10	\$15
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,000	Fls.	8	50	Fls. 40
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	Fls.	20	50	Fls. 40
do. Preference.	100,000	Fls.	10	50	Fls. 40
<b>REMITTANCE</b>					
China Sugar Company, Limited.	20,000	\$	100	all	\$150, sales

Euon Sugar Company, Limited.....	7,000	S	100	all	\$17, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co. Ltd.....	7,000	S	50	Tls 50	Tls 100
TEA TREES					
H.K. & Kw. Wharfed Godown Co.,	50,000	Ts	50	all	\$45, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.,	38,000	Tls.	100	Tls 100	Tls 155
LAND AND BUILDING.					
Hongkong Land Investment and Development Co., Limited	50,000	\$	100	100	\$30, buyers

Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	1/16	50	7/16	50	1/16	128
Kowloon Land and Building Company	5,000	1/16	50	80	332	sales	
Wei-shai Land & Building Co.	8,674	1/16	25	7/16	25	7/16	
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	160,000	1/16	10	all	28.9	ex. div. sellers	
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	1/16	50	50	544	sellers	
TRAMWAYS.	25,000	1/16	10	all	7/16		

The Peak Tramways Co., Ltd....	60,000	100	1	100
<b>Mining.</b>				
Société Française des Charbon- nages du Tonkin .....	16,000	Fr. 450	all	\$590, buyers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd....	500,000	£	1	18/10
<b>Hotels, etc.</b>				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd. ....	12,000	£	50	all
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	£	45	25

DISPENSARIES.						
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	10,000	10	10	10	10	\$28. value
Watkins Limited	10,000	10	10	10	10	\$2. buyers
LUBRICATING.						
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	10	all			\$200. buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	10	50	10	10	\$121
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	80,000	10	10	10	10	\$10
MISCELLANEOUS.						
Chong Ching Seng, Ltd.	400,000	10	10	10	10	\$9.75. settlers

H.K. Milling Co., Ltd., in Liquidation	10,000	100	100	Extensive
Bell's Asbestos Western Agency,	3,804	28	19/8	PR. buyers
United		10/6	4	119
United Asbestos Oriental Agency,	4,000 each	18	6	128
United	100,000	10	10	110
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	60,000	74	6	114, sales
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited	25,000	25	10	120, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	4,000	60	10	109, sellers

Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	13,950	£	90	£	80	Tls 4371
F'ong Bop Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	60,000	£	10	all		656
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	128,000	£	10	10		519, sellers
Boro Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Limited	30,000	Tls	60	Tls	60	Tls 84
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Limited	10,000	Tls	75	Tls	75	Tls 75
Shanghai Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls	75	Tls	75	Tls 75

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Company	Capital	Income	Export	Revenue	Collection
Santa China Mortgage	50,000	10	10		
China Light and Power Company	50,000	1	1		24
Beasat Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	5	5		100
Waleman Limited	175	165	20		1140
OTHER COMPANIES					
Philippine Co. Limited	57,000	10	10		82 without
A Banker Limited	500	500	50		1000 with

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